

**CIVIL CASE NO. 1:10cv153**

## Defendants.

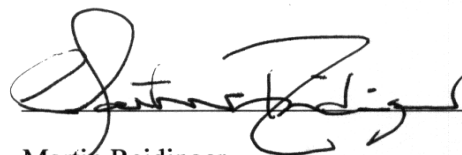
On July 29, 2010, the Clerk of Court wrote to the Defendant and

returned to him his pleading with an explanation that no filing fee had been paid and no request to proceed without the prepayment of fees had been made. No further communication has been received from the Defendant. As a result, the Court will dismiss the action.

The Court also notes that this matter purports to have been removed from the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Pasadena Branch, even though no copy of any such court documents were filed with the purported Notice of Removal. [Doc. 1]. The removal statute, 28 U.S.C. §1441(a) makes clear that a case for which a Federal Court has removal jurisdiction “may be removed by the defendant or defendants, to the district court of the United States for the *district and division embracing the place where such action is pending.*” (Emphasis added). Hence, if this case is removable to Federal Court, it is only removable to the United States District Court for the Central District of California, not the Western District of North Carolina.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that this action is hereby **DISMISSED**.

Signed: February 8, 2011

  
Martin Reidinger  
United States District Judge

